# ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

## **NEWS RELEASE**



Cora Campbell, Commissioner Jeff Regnart, Director



#### Contact:

James Jackson, Area Biologist Geoff Spalinger, Asst. Area Biologist Matt Keyse, Asst. Area Biologist Brad Fuerst, Fisheries Biologist Kodiak Area Office 351 Research Court Kodiak, AK, 99615

Phone: (907) 486-1830 Fax: (907) 486-1847 Date Issued: June 12, 2013 Time: 10:00 a.m.

### KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT # 03 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-03-13

There will be a commercial salmon fishing period in the following sections of the **Alitak District** at the following dates and times:

- The Olga Bay Section, from 6:00 a.m. Thursday, June 13 to 9:00 a.m. Saturday, June 15:
- The Moser Bay Section, from noon Thursday, June 13 to 3:00 p.m. Saturday, June 15;
- The Alitak Bay Section, from 6:00 p.m. Thursday, June 13 to 9:00 p.m. Saturday, June 15; and,
- The Cape Alitak and Humpy-Deadman sections from 6:00 a.m. Friday, June 14 to 9:00 a.m. Sunday, June 16.

There will be a <u>33-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Friday**, **June 14** to **9:00** p.m. Saturday, **June 15** in the Inner Karluk Section of the Southwest Kodiak District.

<u>Closed Water Adjustments</u>: Closed waters will be **reduced** from **noon Friday**, **June 14** until **9:00 p.m. Saturday**, **June 15** in the following areas:

- At Karluk Lagoon's exit channel terminus at the ocean shoreline (stream #255-101).

In that portion of the Northwest Kodiak and Southwest Kodiak districts south of the latitude of Cape Kuliuk, <u>until further notice</u>, Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear in the commercial fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.

There will be a <u>33-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period, from **noon Friday**, **June 14** to **9:00 p.m. Saturday**, **June 15** in the following areas:

- The Uyak Bay, Zachar Bay, Spiridon Bay, Inner Uganik Bay, Terror Bay, Kizhuyak Bay, Sharatin Bay, and Anton Larsen Bay sections of the Northwest Kodiak District:
- The **Eastside Kodiak District**;
- The Southwest Afognak, Northwest Afognak, Pauls Bay, and Perenosa Bay sections of the Afognak District; and
- The **Big River** and **Outer Kukak sections** of the **Mainland District**.

<u>Closed Water Adjustments</u>: Closed waters will be **reduced** from **noon Friday**, **June 14** until **9:00 p.m. Saturday**, **June 15** in the following areas:

- At **Kaflia Creek** (stream #262-301) to the stream terminus.

The following areas will be extended from 9:00 p.m. Saturday June 15 until further notice:

- The Outer Karluk Section of the Southwest Kodiak District:
- The Central and North Cape sections of the Northwest Kodiak District; and
- The Southwest Afognak Section of the Afognak District.

#### As Previously Announced:

The following areas will remain open until further notice:

- The Southeast Afognak, Inner Kitoi, Outer Kitoi, Duck Bay, and Izhut Bay sections of the Afognak District;
- The Foul Bay Special Harvest Area; and
- The Waterfall Bay Special Harvest Area.

#### **Closed Water Adjustments:**

Closed waters are **reduced until further notice** in the following locations:

- In **Foul Bay** to the stream terminus at Hidden Lake Creek (stream #251-406);
- In **Waterfall Bay** to the stream terminus at Little Waterfall Creek (stream #251-822) and to the stream terminus at Big Waterfall Creek (stream #251-821);
- In **Kitoi Bay** to the ADF&G markers located in Little Kitoi and Big Kitoi bays (near stream #s 252-323 and 252-324);
- In Afognak Bay, for subsistence fishing to the ADF&G subsistence salmon markers located at the old bridge; and
- **In Afognak Bay, for commercial fishing** to the ADF&G commercial salmon markers located at the lagoon outlet.

Other closed waters are as shown on the Kodiak Area Salmon Statistical Chart and detailed in the Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations (5AAC 18.350).

Statistical Charts, Harvest Strategies, and Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations are available at the Kodiak Fish and Game office. Recent salmon fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department's 24-hour record-a-phone at 486-4559.